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TO REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF ALLEN COUNTY KANSAS.

At a special meeting of the Republican County Central Committee held Monday February 21, 1896, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: Since the call for County Convention to be held March 3, 1896, the Congressional Committee for the Second Congressional District has issued their call for Convention to be held at Lawrence, Kansas, May 5, 1896, to nominate a candidate for Congress from the 2d district and also a call for Convention to be held at Ottawa, Kansas, May 12, 1896, to nominate a candidate for the Republican National Convention to be held at St. Louis, Missouri, June 6, 1896, and also one Presidential Elector for 2d Congressional District. And

WHEREAS: It is desirable to avoid calling another County Convention at so early a date, therefore be it

Resolved: That at the County Convention to be held on Tuesday March 3, 1896, that there be selected six delegates and six alternates to each of the above stated Conventions; and that there also be selected delegates to the Senatorial Convention of this Senatorial District.

The Republican voters of Allen County, Kansas, will take notice of the above and aforesaid and govern themselves accordingly.

Attest: By order of Committee,

FRANK L. TRAVIS, OSCAR FOIST, Secretary, Chairman.

Iola, Kansas, Feb. 21, 1896.

COMING POLITICAL EVENTS.

Republican National convention, June 16th, at St. Louis.

Democratic National convention July 7th, at Chicago.

Populist National convention July 21st, at St. Louis.

Republican State convention to nominate delegates to St. Louis, at Wichita March 10th.

Populist State convention, Abilene, August 5th.

Populist delegate convention Hutchinson, March 18.

Republican judicial convention to nominate candidate for the Appellate Court, eastern division, southern department, Chanute, April 15.

Second district Republican convention to nominate candidate for Congress, Lawrence, May 5.

Second district Republican convention to select delegates to the National convention, Ottawa, May 12.

Allen county Republican convention to select delegates to the Wichita, Chanute, Lawrence and Ottawa conventions, Iola, March 3.

A GREAT GASSER!

THE IOLA CO-OPERATIVE GAS COMPANY MAKES A BIG STRIKE IN ITS FIRST WELL. THE FORCE OF THE GAS

IS SIMPLY ENORMOUS

And the Well is Undoubtedly one of the Best yet Struck in this Field.

Last Sunday morning about 8 o'clock the drillers in the Iola Co-operative Gas Company's well struck gas. And it did not take the town long to find it out, for the roar soon became something terrific. Something of the pressure of the gas may be understood when it is said that the drillers kept on at work as long as they could make a 1500 pound drill strike bottom. This drill is wedge shaped so that it offers but little resistance, and yet so great was the pressure of the gas that even this great iron spear could not pound its way through it with force enough to have any effect.

Mr. Horton and his experienced assistants succeeded in getting the well shut in with commendable promptness. But on Tuesday it broke loose again and an investigation showed that the rubber packer had been blown all to pieces. It is feared also that the tubing is too light, so that new and heavier tubing has been ordered along with a new packer. In the meantime the gas is escaping with a roar that can be heard many miles in the country.

The men who were obliged to remove the old tubing when the packer gave way, suffered severely from the bits of slate and sand that were blown out of the well, for it came as if shot out of a gun, and drew blood wherever it struck the skin.

It will probably be two or three weeks before the Co-operative Company begins laying mains as they want to consider carefully the system to be used. The thing they wanted to be sure of in the beginning was a good well,—and they have "sure" got that.

TOWNSHIP PRIMARY.

The Salem Township Primary for the election of delegates to the County Convention to be held at Iola March 3, will be held at Jeddo, Saturday Feb. 29, 1896 from 7 to 9 p. m.

BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

REPUBLICANS REMEMBER.

The Republican primaries that are to be held tomorrow should not be neglected. The county convention that meets next Tuesday will select delegates to four important conventions, and it should be made up of representative men.

CITY BUSINESS.

An important meeting of the City Council, at which Various Matters of Public Interest were Transacted.

The council met in regular session last Thursday evening, and business was transacted as follows:

Bill of H. W. Williams for \$7.00 costs in police court cases, was allowed.

Bill of O. D. Myers for two days work at crusher with engine, \$4.00, was allowed.

The street commissioner was instructed to construct an elevator for handling the stone at the crusher.

The committee on Streets and Alleys, to whom was referred the contract proposed to be entered into between the City of Iola and the Allen County Gas Company, made a majority report as follows:

CONTRACT FOR LIGHTING CITY.

This contract made and entered into between The Allen County Gas Company (a corporation) party of the first part and the City of Iola in the county of Allen and State of Kansas, party of the second part, witnesseth:

That the said Allen County Gas Company, party of the first part, agrees to furnish to the city of Iola, party of the second part, and the said city of Iola agrees to accept and purchase from said party of the first part for the term of one year from the date of this contract, natural gas to be used in ten (10) and as many more street or other lamps as the said city of Iola, party of the second part, may use erect or maintain for lighting the streets of said city and for other purposes.

Such gas is to be furnished by said party of the first part, the Allen Co. Gas Company, in sufficient quantities to keep all of said lamps burning to full capacity from dark until daylight of each day. Said lamps are to be lighted in the evening and turned out at daylight of each and every morning under the direction and at the expense of the said city of Iola.

Said city of Iola, party of the second part, agrees to pay to said party of the first part, the Allen County Gas Company, for the natural gas so furnished and purchased as aforesaid at the rate of twenty-five cents per month, for each and every one of said lamps.

The said city is to use the medium sized Fish jet as burners at the above price.

Said city of Iola shall have the option of using any other form of burner not consuming more gas than the one above mentioned at the foregoing price and terms.

And it is further agreed that the city of Iola, party of the second part, is to pay double the above agreed prices for each and every lamp not turned out during the day as above agreed.

It is further agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

First: That all pipes, connections and appliances for utilizing the gas from the mains, shall be owned by the said city.

Second: That said company shall at all reasonable times have access to the premises in which gas is used to determine whether it is being used in a proper manner and to temporarily shut off the supply for any of the following reasons: 1st, for repair; 2nd, for non-payment of bills; 3rd, for waste of gas or bursted mains.

Third: In case the supply of gas should fail, either from failure of wells, bursting of pipes or other cause the said city shall not be liable to pay for gas during the continuance of said failure; nor shall said city be liable to pay for gas when it is not furnished in accordance with the terms of this contract.

Fourth: Said Company shall not be liable for any damage to persons or property arising, occurring or resulting from the use of the gas used by said city of Iola.

Fifth: The lamps and burners for using the gas shall be and remain the property of the city.

Sixth: In case the gas supply should be cut off by the accumulation of frost in the service pipes leading from the mains to any of said lamps or lights, it is especially agreed by the said party of the second part that same will be no violation of this contract and that the said Allen County Gas Company shall in no wise be held responsible for the same.

Seventh: It is further agreed that in case of failure of the gas wells of said Company of the first part, the said Company shall be fully released from the obligations imposed by the foregoing provisions of this contract. If for any reason party of the first part fails to furnish gas for sixty days at any one time, (harring accidents to the gas property) this contract shall be null and void.

In witness whereof said the Allen County Gas Company, party of the first part, has caused this instrument to be signed by its president and secretary, and has caused its corporate seal to be thereto affixed; and said party of the second part has caused this instrument to be signed by its mayor and attested by its clerk and has caused the seal of said city to be hereto affixed. Etc., etc.

After considerable discussion the term during which the contract should last was fixed at five years. It was also agreed that after the word "void" in the last paragraph should be added the words: "At the option of said city."

The Iola Co-operative Gas Company, by H. L. Henderson, its president, then offered the following proposition:

The Iola Co-operative Gas Company

hereby offer to contract with the City of Iola to furnish it with natural gas for use as lights in any number of lamps that it may desire.

We propose to furnish gas for the ordinary No. 2 Fish jet or medium sized burner, for twenty cents per month per light. We propose further to furnish the service pipes to connect with the mains and extend to the sidewalk line.

The City shall have the option of changing the burners whenever it may desire.

If at any time the City should use a burner that consumes more gas than the No. 2 Fish jet, the price shall be increased in proportion to the increased consumption of gas.

Contract can be made for ten years, more or less, at the option of the City, with a minimum limit of two years.

The vote coming on these two propositions Councilmen Kreuter, McNeil and Northrup voted for the former, and Councilmen McClure and Williamson for the latter. The contract with the Allen County Gas Company was therefore adopted.

Councilman McClure moved the following amendment to the contract:

"That nothing in this contract shall prevent the city of Iola from making a contract with any other gas company at more advantageous rates."

The amendment did not prevail.

Councilman McClure then filed the following protest:

"I protest against Mr. Northrup's vote being counted on the ground that he is a member of the Company proposed to be contracted with."

Whereupon Councilman Northrup filed the following protest:

"I protest against the vote of Mr. Williamson being counted against the contract with the Allen County Gas Company on the ground that he is a shareholder in the Co-operative Gas Company whose proposed proposition was offered as a substitute."

The Council then adjourned.

OIL AND GAS NOTES.

The Forest City Oil Company is now sinking test wells in this county on the farms of the following named persons: W. A. Ross, R. Clinchy, G. Roehl, R. Kamping, N. P. Wisborg, — Pieper, and G. DeWitt. These localities are widely scattered and when the wells are completed the county will be pretty thoroughly prospected.

FREDONIA, FEB. 20.—Mann well No. 2, one-fourth mile northeast of town, was drilled in (820 feet) and at about 11 o'clock was shot, with the usual amount of nitro-glycerine. The wind was blowing pretty strong and when the oil rose above the derrick it made a magnificent sight, spreading out in the air as if from a giant spray pump. The oil spouted for a few minutes and then settled into a steady flowing. It flowed 100 barrels the first twenty-four hours in spite of the hindrance of having the tools lowered and the casing put in, and the second twenty-four hours were about the same. It may settle down to not over fifty barrels but it is what is called a "wild one."

A long distance oil pump, the first one ever brought to Kansas, has been put in at the power house on the De-moss land west of town. It weighs nearly 5,000 pounds, has a stroke of 18 inches and will pump a two or three inch pipe of oil twenty miles. The Thayer product will be pumped into the storage tanks at Neodesha as soon as connections are completed.

Moran Herald: Wednesday several car loads of material were unloaded here by the Forest Oil company, or in other words the Standard Oil company. This material is being hauled to the Ross farm, northeast of town, where a derrick will be built and a well put down. From information obtained from the men of the company here we also learned that another well will be put down northwest of town, on the Clinchy land. Wells will be put down south of us, between Humboldt and Savonburg, east of us and north and west of us as soon as material and drills can be put into operation.

BLUE MOUND, KAN., Feb. 20.—This thriving village was considerably surprised but greatly elated yesterday by the arrival of two derrick outfits from Neodesha, Kan., to renew the search for oil in Linn county, commenced by Guffey & Galey during the summer of 1894.

Neodesha Register: Mann well No. 2, is acknowledged to be the best well in the field. Its production in the first twenty-four hours has been estimated all the way from 100 to 500 barrels. An experienced eastern oil man told us that he believed the well would settle down to about fifty-five or sixty barrels normal production.

Humboldt Union: News from Havana, in Montgomery county, says the drillers have struck a very strong flow of gas at the depth of 280 feet. The pressure was so strong that it blew the drill out of the hole, and forced the water over a hundred feet high. The drillers were compelled to abandon the work. Wednesday the well on the Pieper farm, northeast of town, was down 400 feet. Shale gas was struck at 200 feet. Eight men from Pennsylvania arrived here Wednesday. They are drillers and will work for the Forest Oil company.

Three teams, loaded with oil supplies, arrived here from Neodesha Wednesday evening. They were

for the new location on Kamping's farm in Salem township. The rig builders have finished their work on the farms of Messrs. Rhoel and Kamping. They have gone to Moran where they will erect two rigs on locations made near that place.

A CURABLE DISEASE.

Chronic Catarrh Is Pronounced Curable By Dr. Hartman.

There are an almost countless number of remedies said to cure chronic catarrh. The most of these are of no use whatever, and many worse than useless, being actually harmful. A few are successful in a small number of cases—those which are very slight and easily curable—cases which might almost get well by simply taking care not to catch cold again. But of all this vast multitude of medicines it cannot be said that there are more than two or three which are actually specifics, and without doubt the most reliable is Pe-ru-na. It always cures when it is faithfully and conscientiously used. It not only cures catarrh of the head and throat, but catarrh of the stomach, liver, bowels, lungs, bronchial tubes, kidneys; and in fact any of the organs of the human body. It is indeed a dreadful case of catarrh wherever located, that Pe-ru-na can't cure, or at least greatly help. It may be procured at all the drug stores and it should be given a faithful trial by those who have tried in vain elsewhere to get relief.

A book on catarrh and catarrhal diseases of 64 instructively illustrated pages will be sent free to any address by the Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing company of Columbus, Ohio.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES.

Mrs. Picken has an article on "The Common School Teacher and his License to Teach" in the last number of the Western School Journal. We think the teachers generally will approve of the excellent ideas advanced by Mrs. Picken.

We hoped to be able to announce the date of the S. E. K. T. A. at Parsons before this, but as yet we have not been informed regarding the time.

The C. E. examination was very well attended in most places.

The County Superintendent appointed L. B. Shanks treasurer of school district No. 36, in place of J. M. Allenbaugh, resigned, also F. W. Frevert, clerk of district No. 16 in place of Geo. Barber. In district No. 57 he appointed John Morris treasurer in place of S. S. Downs, resigned.

District No. 28 had a fair raising and a general good time on the 21st inst.

The A. C. T. A. convenes at Humboldt, Saturday, March, 7th.

H. H. JONES.

CITY SCHOOL NOTES.

\$27.50 was cleared upon our exercises last Saturday. We thank the friends who made this possible.

The amount will brighten the interiors of all the grade room needing renovation. We hope that some means may be found for renovating the halls of the building as well.

Prof. Hodder lectures to-night.

There are 41 cases of tardiness this year as against 80 cases last year for the corresponding period of the second term. This decrease is gratifying.

Some fifty boys have applied for copies of the "anti-tobacco" pledge.

Ten weeks more till the end of our school year! It will seem but an exceedingly short time until the class of 1896 appear in their Commencement exercises.

W. S. PICKEN.

Weather Report

For the week ending February 25.

Date	Max.	Min.	Mean	Rain and Melting Snow	Wind	Killing Frosts	Character of Day	Prevailing Wind
19	49	27	38.0			K	Clear	N E
20	32	15	23.5				Clear	N E
21	30	18	24.0				Clear	S
22	45	38	41.5	10			Grdy	S
23	50	44	47.0				Clear	NW
24	46	27	36.5			K	Clear	NW
25	70	30	50.0			L	Clear	SW

The 25th was the warmest day in February in 7 years, except February 4, 1894, when it reached 71 degrees.

C. NORTON, U. S. W. B.

PUBLIC SALE.

I will sell in Iola on Saturday March 7th 1896 at two o'clock p. m. One 2 horse wagon, 1 set double harness, one 2 horse cultivator, one 14-inch Stirring plow. This property is nearly good as new having been used but a short time. Will sell at same time 2 good work horses. A credit of nine months time will be given on all sums over \$5. Don't forget time and place, also 300 bushels seed oats for sale. Also have 80 acre farm to rent.

L. HOBART.

For Sale or Trade.

Jos. Reno, Iola, has a team of horses and a half Jersey cow for sale.
D. Sims, of Geneva, has ten good mule teams for sale at prices to suit purchaser.
A. W. Ihrie, Iola, has a team, harness and wagon, top buggy, two plows and cultivator, and 2 good cows for sale.
I have red seed oats for sale. Inquire of Geo. Malcolm. M. M. Woodin

SAVE YOUR MONEY.

Give me a trial and I will convince you that I can help you to save your money. I do a cash business and will make it an object to you to pay me cash. Give me a trial, watch me close and I will risk the result. I carry a full line of Fresh and Salt Meats, Staple and Fancy Groceries. Produce taken same as cash.

Yours respectfully,
L. R. RAY.

First door south of Anderson & DeClute's

Notice of Appointment.

(First published 28 Feb. 1896.)

State of Kansas, Allen county, ss.

In the matter of the estate of William Heinz, a person of unsound mind,
NOTICE is hereby given, that on the 24th day of February A. D. 1896, the undersigned was by the Probate Court of Allen county, Kansas, duly appointed and qualified as Guardian of the Estate and person of William Heinz, a person of unsound mind. All parties interested in said estate will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

FRED HEINZ.

THE CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTIONS.

The convention for the nomination of a candidate for Congress to succeed Judge Miller has been called to meet at Lawrence May 5.

The convention for the selection of delegates from this congressional district to the National Republican convention will be held at Ottawa one week later, May 12.

THE CORNER DRUG STORE

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Editorial Musings.

Rural Editor (meditatively). — How seldom we know what is best for us. Here I've been pitching into the interstate commerce law for 16 months. Heaven forgive me!

Assistant.—Eh?
"I should have been on that train which plunged into that open switch last night if kind Providence in His inscrutable wisdom had not saved me. I could not get a pass."—N. Y. Weekly.

Folled Again.

Hero (modern drama).—Great heavens! My rival has just arranged to convey the fatal paper to Irene's father. Lost! Lost! Lost!
Staunch Friend.—I fear the worst. But stay! How sends he the paper?
"By a messenger boy."
"Ah! I have it! Give the boy a nickel to buy some marbles or crap-dice."
"Saved!"—N. Y. Weekly.

Laughed At.

The brook looked up in the iceman's face, and bubbled in gurgling glee: "The lake beyond is the place for you. You cut no ice with me."

—Puck.

TWELVE AT NIGHT.



The man is there, and he is feeling out of sight too.—Judge.

Kept Green.

The widow's weeds of that latter day, After the tear has dried that started, Grow oftener, I grieve to say, Upon the grave of the dear departed.

—Bay City Chat.

Try the REGISTER for job work.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

C. B. Dalton, of Baker university, carried off first honors at the late oratorical contest in Topeka.

Richard E. Price, of Hutchinson, was awarded the prize for the best essay written by Kansas university students on Tennyson's "Princess."

Frank Urban, of Leavenworth became despondent over a love affair and recently attempted to kill himself by cutting his throat with a razor.

The bank at McLouth, Jefferson county, was entered by burglars the other night, the safe blown open and \$3,500 stolen. The robbers then stole a team and escaped.

The grand lodge of Masons recently in session at Wichita, decided to establish a state masonic home. The location was not named but will be by a committee appointed for the purpose.

According to the report of the grand secretary of the masonic grand lodge there was a balance in the general fund on February 3 of \$17,129.64, and in the charity fund of \$37,393.23. During the past year there had been expended for charity \$9,272.29.

The republican state convention to choose delegates to the national republican convention will meet at Wichita Tuesday, March 10. The convention will name six delegates-at-large and nominate three electors. The convention will consist of 610 delegates.

The Boy's Brigade, a Presbyterian organization of Kansas City, Kan., was recently the recipient of a handsome flag from the local G. A. R. post. The presentation speech was made by Gov. Morrill and the acceptance was made by Secretary Coburn, of the state board of agriculture.

Judge Vandeventer, in the district court at Kinsley, recently decided that the fire guard law passed in 1895 and applying to all counties west of the 99th meridian, is unconstitutional. The law provides for a tax levy to be paid for burning fire guards, and the case was brought to an issue by the Santa Fe refusing to pay the tax.

A Topeka man has patented a paper brick which he says will work a revolution in the pavement of streets and building of walls. It is made of straw and wood pulp. It is made the same as brick and at one-third the cost. The inventor says, with the straw that annually goes to waste in Kansas, he can pave the streets of every town in New England.

John Putnam, a veterinary surgeon, was recently found lying upon the floor of the house where he lived alone at Larned, in a helpless condition. When revived he stated that he had been in that condition for four days without food or water, having been attacked with paralysis and had been unable to move or call for help. He was properly cared for.

J. T. Lamborn, an aged and wealthy farmer, was murdered in his home at Fall Leaf, near Lawrence, the other night during the absence of his son and daughter. He was literally chopped to pieces with an ax. As nothing was stolen from the house, the motive of the murderer was unknown. Lamborn was 84 years of age. There was no clew to the perpetrator of the crime.

The Masonic grand lodge at its recent session at Wichita elected the following officers: Grand master, C. C. Coleman, Clay Center; deputy grand master, William Shaver, Topeka; grand senior warden, M. L. Stone, Wamego; grand junior warden, H. C. Loomis, Winfield; grand treasurer, Robert Torrington, Wichita; grand secretary, A. K. Wilson, Topeka. The next meeting will be at Salina.

Two thousand tons of hay in Rosedale and the large warehouse in which it was stored took fire at eight o'clock the other night and was completely destroyed. A two-story building adjoining and five cars filled with hay were also consumed. The warehouse and dwelling were the property of the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis road. The hay was owned by J. A. Hrubaker, of Westport, Mo. The loss was about \$9,000.

John W. Breidenthal, chairman of the populist state central committee, in his official call for the state convention to be held in Hutchinson, March 18, recommends that the county conventions to elect delegates to that convention be held March 14. He invites all voters who are "in favor of an American monetary system as opposed to our present British gold standard system under which the prices of all products of the farm have been reduced below the cost of production and under which the ranks of the unemployed are being constantly augmented and the earnings of those who are employed are being steadily reduced" to attend these primaries.

The populist state central committee which met in Topeka on the 14th completed its work on the 15th by making an apportionment of delegates for the two state conventions. For the Hutchinson convention, which meets on March 18 to elect delegates to the national convention, the basis was fixed at one delegate for each county and one delegate for each 400 populist votes cast at the last general election. This makes a convention of about 400 delegates. For the state convention at Abilene on August 5, which is to nominate state officers, the basis was fixed at one delegate for each county and one for each 250 votes cast for the populist ticket, making a convention of about 600.

Ira T. Steele, a farmer and stock dealer of Douglas county, has failed. The cause of his failure was the fact that he was a heavy indorser of paper of Dolbeare and the Metaskers, farmers in the neighborhood, who recently failed.

A petition was recently being circulated in Topeka by the state temperance union asking congress to pass a law refusing United States liquor licenses to persons who are not possessed of a state permit to sell liquor. Two ten-year-old boys fought at the Fairmount (Leavenworth county) school the other day and one of them, Roy Warner, stabbed the other, Ben Jeffreys, perhaps fatally.